GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2612
ANSWERED ON:21.03.2005
UTILISTATION OF FOREST RESOURCES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a great demand of plants for medicinal purpose, food supplements, pharmaceuticals, cosmetic perfumes in international market;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the share of India in the International Market; and

(d) whether the Government has any action plan to increase the participation of India in the International Market; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The export figures for relevant items are given in Annexure-I

(c) It is reported to be difficult to ascertain.

(d)&(e) Government of India has set up National Medicinal Plants Board to ensure sustained availability of Medicinal Plants for preparation of medicines used in Ayurveda and other Indian system of medicines. The Board has implemented Promotional and Commercial Schemes for overall development of this sector. A Scheme 'Vishesh Krishi Upaj Yojana' (Special Agricultural Produce Scheme) with the objective to promote export of fruits, vegetables, flowers, minor forest produce, and their value added products, by incentivising exporters of such products has been taken up by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry towards actively promoting the export of said items in addition to usual export promotional measures.

ANNEXURE - I

ANNEXURE IN RESPECT OF PART (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2612 FOR 21/03/2005 REGARDING UTILISTATION OF FOREST RESOURCES

The Export performance of items under relevant headings

(Rs. In Lacs)

HS Code	Commodity	2003-2004	2004-2005(Apr-Jun)
6011000	BULBS, TUBERS, TUBEROUS ROOTS, CORMS, CROWN & RHIZOMES,DORMANT	128	28
6012021	CHICORY PLANTS	57	20
6012022	CHICORY ROOTS	2	-
6012090	OTHER BLBS,.TUBRS,TUBRUS ROOTS ETC.	53	7
6021000	UNROOTED CUTTINGS & SLIPS OF LIVE PLANTS	38	34
6029020	FLOWRING PLANTS (EXCL ROSES & RHODODNDRN)	56	12
6029030	PLANT FOR TISSUE CULTURE	1,759	321
6029090	OTHER LIVE PLANTS	221	161
12111000	LIQUORICE ROOTS FRSH/DRID W/N CRSHD/PWDRD	11	11
30034000	MDCMNTS CONT. ALKLDS/THR DRVTVS BUT NOT/ HORMNS/OTHR PRDTCS OF HDNG NO. 29.37/ANTBT	33	8

300390 OTHR MEDICANTS (EXCL HEADNG 3002,3005,3006) FOR 50,077 17,739
THERAPEUTIC PROPHYLACTIC USES NOT PUT UP FOR
RETAIL SALE

30039011 MEDICANTS OF AYURVEDIC SYSTEM 10,032 7,118
30039012 MEDICANTS OF UNANI SYSTEM 53 26
30039013 MEDICANTS OF SIDDHA SYSTEM 8 19
30039014 MEDICANTS OF HOMOEOPATHIC SYSTEM 312 22
30039015 MEDICANTS OF BIO-CHEMIC SYSTEM 401 10
30039021 MENTHOL CRYSTAL 2,482 830
300490 OTHER MEDCNE PUT UP FOR RETAIL SALE 424,625 107,064
30049011 MEDICAMENTS OF AYURVEDIC SYSTEM 9,243 2,009
30049012 MEDICAMENTS OF UNANI SYSTEM 155 8
30049013 MEDICAMENTS OF SIDDHA SYSTEM 35 0
30049014 HOMEOPATHIC MEDICINE 718 15
30049015 MEDICAMENTS OF BIO-CHEMIC SYSTEM 430 92